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**From:** SCHMIDT, LINDIE (DNR)  
**Sent:** Thur 9/10/2015 10:51:17 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Sesko/Tank Removal

Hello Ryan,

I had some brief contact with Jeanie Correa at Neil Law. Afterwards their contractor, Aaron Harrington at Global Diving and Salvage, contacted me on August 7th. I requested that Global provide a copy of their JARPA and the Attachment E. I have not received a copy of their application and we have no agreement in place for the work.

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**Subject:** RE: Sesko/Tank Removal

Hi Lindie-

I wanted to find out what type of agreement, if any, DNR has (or will have) with the salvage operator for this proposed work. If there is one, does it contain any requirements for the applicant to have some sort of contingency plan in the event that the activity would cause some sort of release of contamination?

I'm asking because the beach is part of a Superfund site, where sampling to date has found contaminated beach sediments. I am planning on advising the salvage contractor that they should have some sort of contingency plan in place, should the removal of the tanks generate some sort of release of contaminants (either from the tanks or from beach sediments below the tanks). We're thinking that the likelihood of a release is low, but we want to make sure things are covered, just in case our thinking is wrong.

Please let me know if you have an agreement with the salvage contractor for this work. If you could share that with me, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks.

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**To:** Ryan, William (Region 10)  
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**Subject:** RE: Sesko/Tank Removal

I see now-good to hear. They are a reputable company. If this far along I am sure Lindie is aware of this but if not she is now.

Thanks again for update. I hope the rest of the project is moving along expeditiously.

Take care,  
Shayne

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Shayne-

As you can see at the end of this email chain, the work is to be conducted by Global Diving and Salvage.

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Thanks for update. This is good news!

If not already aware the District will be glad to hear this work is being conducted-we will cross our fingers it will actually come to fruition. We would like to know as much as we can as to who is removing so we can make contact and ensure plan meets our requirements for activities on state owned aquatic land (SOAL).

Lindie Schmidt is still the Land Manager out there. (b) (6) but I am forwarding this all to her and her supervisor.

I cannot answer as to whether or not agreement will be required but if so it should be a mere Right-of-Entry if indeed no on-site work will be conducted.

Please keep us informed on progress and we will do same.

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No big hurry.

I spoke with the Sesko guardian and got the scoop. They are planning on bringing in a crane and barge and lifting the tanks off the beach and placing them on the barge. They will then be taken for disposal/recycling to Schnitzer Steel on Tacoma. Not sure if the tanks will be cut up on the barge or at Schnitzer. Also did not ascertain the timeline for this works.

I was mainly inquiring to see if you knew how they were going to do the work. As we discussed a while back when a different approach was being considered, I wanted to make sure that they were not going to complicate the Superfund investigation on the beach by doing something (like cutting up the tanks) that could contribute additional contamination to the beach. Looks like we won't have to worry about that if this all goes as planned.

I'm happy to relay anything else I learn about this work. Does this type of work require coordination with and/or a permit from DNR?

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Ryan-Many folks here at DNR are either on fire or vacation so may be a bit before we can confirm if any activity on this. When do you need to know by?

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Hi Shayne and Erika-

Was wondering if you had any info related to the removal of the ballast tanks from the beach at the Bremerton Gas Works Superfund site (see below). If so, is it anything you can share?

Let me know.

Thanks.

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Mr. Ryan

In late July, PGS signed a contract for the removal of the tanks with Global Diving & Salvage.

Below is the recent update PGS received from Global.

Vicki Carrillo, Case Manager

**From:** Aaron Harrington <[AHarrington@gdiving.com](mailto:AHarrington@gdiving.com)>  
**Subject: RE: Sesko/Tank Removal**  
**Date:** August 7, 2015 at 11:12:46 AM PDT  
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Jeanie,  
Appreciate your patience. Hopefully it is an expedited process with the Dept. of Fish and Wildlife regarding the permit (it can require up to 90 days). The permit application will also be reviewed by the USACE.

Thanks and have a good weekend. I will keep you abreast of the schedule as it materializes into operations.

Regards,



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